FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT ON BILL NO. S. 610

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TO: The Honorable Harvey S. Peeler, Chairman, Senate Medical Affairs Committee

FROM: Office of State Budget, Budget and Control Board

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SUBJECT: Controlled Substances--Days' Supply that May be Filled

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT ON GENERAL FUND EXPENDITURES:

\$0 (No additional expenditures or savings are expected)

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT ON FEDERAL & OTHER FUND EXPENDITURES:

\$0 (No additional expenditures or savings are expected)

BILL SUMMARY:

Senate Bill 610 amends Section 44-53-360(e) of the Code of Laws of South Carolina, 1976, relating to the number of days' supply of prescriptions for controlled substances that may be filled by a pharmacist. The Bill allows a pharmacist to fill a 90-day supply of Substances III through V. The current statute allows pharmacists to fill only a 30-day supply of Substances III and IV.

EXPLANATION OF IMPACT:

The Departments of Health & Environmental Control, Health & Human Services, and Mental Health each indicate there would be no fiscal impact on the State General Fund or on Federal and/or Other Funds.

LOCAL GOVERNMENT IMPACT:

None.

SPECIAL NOTES:

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None.

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